Pinus washoensis Mason & Stockwell

WASHOE PINE

FAMILY: *Pinaceae*, the pine family.

SYNONYMS: Pinus ponderosa var. ponderosa (?)

STATUS:

Heritage Program SENSITIVE LIST, ranks: G3Q S1

USFWS/ESA: none. STATE OF NEVADA: harvest regulated. BLM: Special Status Species in Nevada.

USFS: none. NNNPS: none.

POPULATION CENSUS (NEVADA): 5 occurrences mapped at 1.0 km (0.6 mi) separation, OR **6 occurrences mapped** at 0.16 km (0.1 mi) separation; total estimated **individuals unknown**, total estimated **area 12.2+ ha (30.1+ ac)**. **TREND:** unknown.

IMPACTS AND MAJOR THREATS (NEVADA): No summary available (see references).

INVENTORY EFFORT (NEVADA): Systematic surveys were conducted by Charlet (1996) and are largely complete in Nevada. Most recent entered survey 1996, average year of last survey 1991. **Years since last entered survey** (percent of mapped records at various survey ages): **6-10 yrs:** 83.3%; **31-50 yrs:** 16.7%.

LAND MANAGEMENT (**NEVADA**) in decreasing predominance: private lands, Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest, Nevada state lands (?).

RANGE: Washoe County, Nevada; also in AB (?), BC (?), CA, MT (?), OR, and WA (?). Maximum Nevada range dimension 15.8 km (9.8 mi) excluding most disjunct record. Type specimen collected in Mt. rose.

ELEVATIONS RECORDED (NEVADA): 6240-8500 feet (1902-2591 meters).

HABITAT (not yet reviewed for Nevada): "Mountain slopes (1980-2440 m elevation) with western white pine (P. monticola), lodgepole pine (P. contorta), ponderosa pine (P. ponderosa), and California red fir (Abies magnifica)."

PHENOLOGY: no summary available. Range of most frequent survey months: May-September.

LIFE-FORM AND HABIT: long-lived tree.

DESCRIPTION: An evergreen tree, up to 35 m tall. Similar in appearance to ponderosa pine (P. ponderosa) except with distinctive egg-shaped female cones with many scales set close together. Bark is yellow-brown, furrowed. Leaves are 3 per bundle and about 12 cm long. Sometimes treated as a variety of ponderosa pine, rather than as a distinct species.

PHOTOGRAPHS: Nevada Natural Heritage Program images web page (1998-present).

ILLUSTRATIONS: Charlet (1996).

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